Fredericksburg Area Local Human Rights Committee Minutes- DRAFT

Regular Quarterly Meeting – October 25, 2013

Attendance and Determination of Quorum: Quorum met

Members:

Present: Debe Fults, Marguerite Roche, Nancy Sorrentino, and Rachel Wright

Absent: Lynn Delamer

Regional Advocate: Kevin Paluszak

Guest: None

Affiliates:

<u>Present:</u> Dominion Day, Restorative Youth Services, Heritage House, Wall Residences,

Family Solutions, Family Counseling Center, PEOPLE, Intercept (Richmond + Frederick House), National Counseling Group, Family Preservation Services

(Fredericksburg + Fairfax)

Absent: Global Behavior Therapy Associates, Orlando's Place, Ray of Hope

<u>Starting of the Meeting / Review of Agenda</u>: Chair Nancy Sorrentino called the meeting to order at 9:50am; sign-in sheet distributed; agenda reviewed with no adjustments.

Reading/Approval of old Minutes: Motion to approve minutes by Debe Fults, seconded by Marguerite Roche; motion carried to approve minutes from August 2, 2013 meeting.

Public Comment: none

<u>Affiliate Reports:</u> Christine Heit announced that reports from all affiliates were received with exception of Orlando's Place, who are still awaiting approval for their site location by licensing. Each affiliate representative present gave a brief overview of the quarter's activity.

New Business:

NCG →

- -Expanding into more schools in Spotsylvania County next week for TDT
- -Revamping outpatient therapy funded by Medicaid

Intercept →

- -Growing, ready to open an office in the Stafford area: crisis stabilization, IIH, treatment of foster care
- -Assessment diagnostic home for children in Chesterfield area, opening next week. 60-90 day program where they receive a full-scale psychological, school on site, interactive setting, will have a complete assessment done by day 60 (medical, psychological). Program is called Fresh Start for Children and is driven by IEP, family, Medicaid, CSA. Covers ages 5-11 years old.
- -Adolescent program is in Glen Allen (12-18 years old)

-Frederick House is full (capacity is 8 boys): one boy is in public school, one is in community college, the rest are in private day

PEOPLE, LLC →

-Still maintaining same homes

Family Counseling Center →

- -Opiate replacement treatment for those addicted to heroin, pain killers, etc.
- -Adolescent program starting in Richmond, already have a program at the Radford facility
- -Beginning an intensive outpatient program
- -Conference on November 14th and 15th
- -Have seen 280 people since March 2013

Family Solutions →

- -Mental Health Support, IIH services
- -Recently had licensing audit and received no citations
- -Hilltop Plaza, off of 208, behind Burger King (were located off of Lafayette)

Wall Residences →

- -A lot of transitions within the past few months with employees
- -Annual retreat for staff members in Floyd, where regional office is located
- -Requesting affiliation for a few sites
- -Have not taken anyone from training centers in this area (houses are not equipped and staff do not feel equipped to take on behaviors/physical limitations of these individuals); have taken individuals from training centers in Southern region
- -Requesting affiliation: Fredericksburg, Fredericksburg, and Stafford. Licensing has not visited homes yet because need affiliation from LHRC prior. Already have potential residents for Sharon Malvin but need to get through licensing steps first.

Restorative Youth Services →

-Hiring new staff members

Heritage House →

- -Still thinking about doing sponsor placement: one family has come forward, beginning process of contacting license
- -Day services program still running
- -Seeing a lot of depression in clients due to upcoming holidays so attempting to bolster Thanksgiving and Christmas programs
- -No one has come out of the training centers, but did conduct two interviews and was unable to successfully meet the client's medical needs

Dominion Day →

-Difficulties using CHRIS and being logged out due to timing out

Report of the Regional Advocate: Kevin Paluszak provided an update on the Human Rights reporting system- CHRIS – to aid those who are experiencing difficulties with the system timing out before they were able to submit a report. Also, reported information regarding HIPPA: leave off initials and names off of reports: refer to clients as Client A or Client B, but make sure that you differentiate clients. Discussed use of restraint in the ID population: also includes the use of a helmet (due to self-injurious behaviors). Kevin stated that regulations are being changed to simplify the resolution process and to cut down timelines for resolved reports. Medication guidance on DBHDS website: the following types of medication errors to be reported as violations as neglect and serious injuring: requires further evaluation from a medical practitioner (serious injury) and any error involving the wrong dosage, wrong medication, wrong person, multiple doses

were not administered, or discontinued medications were still administered if you miss one dose of medication (neglect)

Treasurer's Report: No report

Report of Committee Members: Debe Fults discussed the annual open house at Disability Resource Center as well as three showings with Santa (who has specialized training).

Reports from FALHRC Affiliates:

Dominion Day Services:	Present; report received
Family Counseling Ctr for Recovery	Present; report received
Family Preservation Services:	Present; report received
Family Solutions:	Present; report received
Global Behavior Therapy Associates	Absent; report received
Heritage House:	Present; report received
Intercept	Present; report received
Lutheran Family Services	Present; report received.
National Counseling Group	Present; report received
Orlando's Place	Absent; currently not serving clients in the Fredericksburg area
PEOPLE	Present; report received
Ray of Hope	Absent; report received
Restorative Youth Services	Present ; report received
Wall Residence Inc.	Present; report received

Next Meeting - January 24, 2014 at 9:30am

Adjournment of Open Session: 11:00am

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Nancy Sorrentino, seconded by Rachel Wright, and passed to go into closed session pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711 for the purpose of reviewing the care provided to clients of Wall Residences and Heritage House. Upon reconvening the Local Human Rights Committee certified that to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session were discussed in closed session.